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APPARATUS FOR AND METHOD FOR POLISHING WORKPIECE

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## **AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C.

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 21, 2001, the period for response to which having been extended by one months to April 21, 2002, please amend the above-referenced U.S. patent application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS** 

Please cancel claims 18-37, 57-67, 72 and 87 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof.

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